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Presenting a comprehensive one-volume collection of tables, charts, and maps highlighting social, economic, and political topics from over 250 sources. Available in print or on CD-ROM.

Print Edition

Discovering the latest news on America's ever-changing social, economic, and political climates will be easy with the *1996 Statistical Abstract of the United States* (116th edition). This enduring favorite of researchers, educators, businesses and other data lovers covers everything from car manufacturing to Automated Teller Machine (ATM) transactions to how much mail the U.S. Postal Service handles on an average day. See figure 1 for some highlights.

Highlights From the 1996 Statistical Abstract

These occur on an average day in America.

- Automated Teller Machine (ATM) transactions total 27 million, and \$2 billion in new residential mortgage loans are made.
- Over 33,000 motor vehicles are manufactured; 18,000 motor vehicle accidents occur.
- About 346 million shares are traded on the New York Stock Exchange, and 401 million shares are traded on the NASDAQ.
- Twelve dollars is spent on food, \$28 on housing, \$17 on transportation, and \$5 on health care per household.

Figure 1

Each year Glenn King and his Statistical Compendia staff provide the latest and greatest in statistical news. Known also as "Uncle Sam's Almanac," the *Statistical Abstract* promises more new and useful data with each new edition.

There also are 33 new tables throughout the *Abstract*. These include the 1992 Economic Census data on women- and black-owned firms. Many of the numerous other tables come from hundreds of sources, including government agencies, private groups, and international organizations. See figure 2 for a selection of new tables for 1996.

CD-ROM

Containing even more copious data is the *Statistical Abstract* on CD-ROM. And linking to the Internet has never been easier. "With our new CD-ROM you can easily get the latest population and money income figures from our Internet links and start your own analysis of the latest trends," says Lars Johanson of the *Statistical Abstract* staff.

The CD-ROM provides over 1,400 table-to-spreadsheet links, direct table-to-Internet site links (for Census Bureau data only), and search capabilities that provide table number and titles, not just general subjects.

A Selection of the Over 30 New Tables Added to the 1996 Statistical Abstract

- Households—Projections by Race and Hispanic Origin of Householder: 1996 to 2010
- Travel by U.S. Residents—Summary: 1985 to 1994
- Regular Child Care Arrangements for Children Under 6 Years Old, by Type of Arrangement: 1995
- Black-Owned Firms, by Major Industry Group: 1992
- Women-Owned Firms, by Major Industry Group: 1992
- Industrial Buildings—Floorspace and Vacancy Rates for Major Cities: 1995
- Exported Services, by Selected Kinds of Business: 1992

Figure 2

Again this year, the CD-ROM provides users with several different methods to use the information—providing choices in equipment, operating environment or system, and independent software access.

The *TextWare Lite* software is again provided on the disc. The DOS version of this software will run on any IBM PC or compatible with 640K RAM and 286 or better microprocessor. This allows users with "older" microcomputers to continue using our disc. You may still use *TextWare* even with a monochrome monitor. The software requires no installation. Type "GO" and you're in. You now can proceed with three different kinds of searches.

Adobe Acrobat offers the advantage of higher quality output. Tables and charts appear in color highlighting

important information and adding clarity to the graphics. Like *TextWare Lite*, *Adobe Acrobat* will operate on *Macintosh* computers and in *Windows*, but also allows use on *UNIX*. The *Adobe Acrobat* search function allows for easy search—simply enter a keyword or phrase for a full text search of all files, including text within graphics and charts. By using *Lotus* worksheet (.WK1) files, you can do your own analysis of *Statistical Abstract* tables, State rankings, and the population of metropolitan areas. These files usually contain either more years of data, more countries, and more categories of subjects than those shown in

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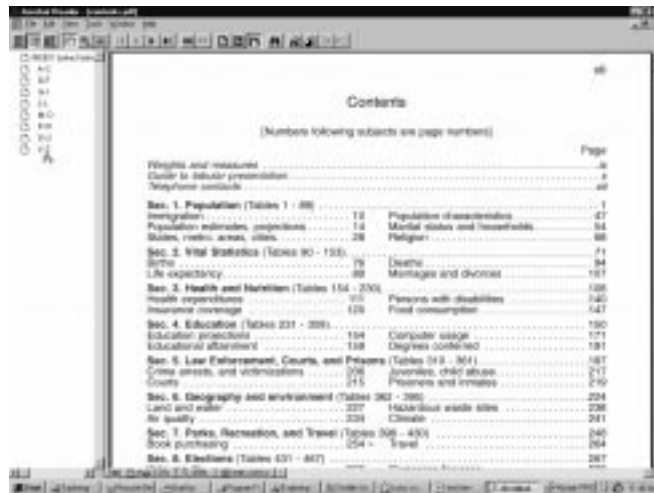
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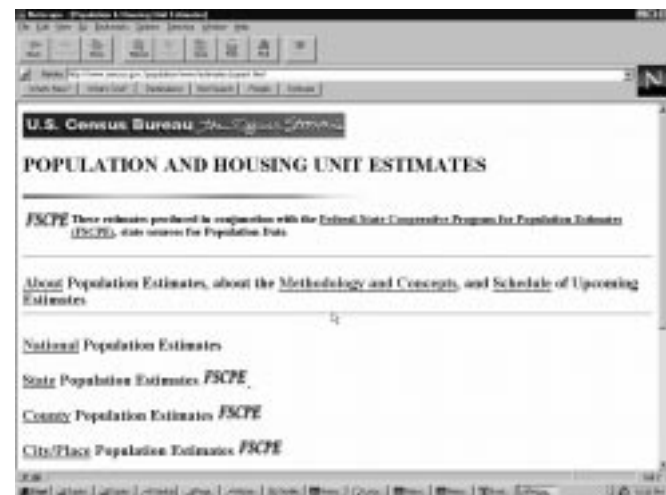
Figure 3
Computer Screen
Illustrations

Adobe Acrobat

The Adobe Acrobat reader and search engine allows you to view, navigate, and print on demand any page from the book. Simply enter a keyword or phrase to conduct a full-text search of all files on the CD, including text within graphics and charts.



State	1970	1980	1990
Alabama	2,594,844	2,818,645	3,000,691
Alaska	248,763	264,206	277,673
Arizona	1,315,188	1,511,628	1,681,254
Arkansas	1,989,443	1,892,927	1,786,611
California	15,717,214	19,970,987	23,668,929
Colorado	2,428,819	2,694,723	2,969,155
Connecticut	2,584,819	2,584,819	2,584,819
Delaware	554,370	554,370	554,370
District of Columbia	595,924	595,924	595,924
Florida	10,801,304	12,937,799	15,134,683
Georgia	3,677,968	4,013,203	4,293,294
Hawaii	1,108,223	1,108,223	1,108,223
Idaho	1,044,324	1,044,324	1,044,324
Illinois	9,446,891	10,983,280	12,023,482
Indiana	5,791,214	5,791,214	5,791,214
Iowa	2,892,563	2,892,563	2,892,563
Kansas	2,605,375	2,605,375	2,605,375
Kentucky	3,042,826	3,042,826	3,042,826
Louisiana	2,867,314	2,867,314	2,867,314
Maine	1,274,867	1,274,867	1,274,867
Maryland	2,789,188	2,789,188	2,789,188
Massachusetts	5,878,291	5,878,291	5,878,291
Michigan	7,344,923	7,344,923	7,344,923
Minnesota	4,708,626	4,708,626	4,708,626
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Montana	940,340	940,340	940,340
Nebraska	1,934,053	1,934,053	1,934,053
Nevada	1,291,326	1,291,326	1,291,326
New Hampshire	1,198,828	1,198,828	1,198,828
New Jersey	8,265,717	8,265,717	8,265,717
New Mexico	1,288,406	1,288,406	1,288,406
New York	18,976,457	18,976,457	18,976,457
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Pennsylvania	11,981,286	11,981,286	11,981,286
Rhode Island	1,057,811	1,057,811	1,057,811
South Carolina	2,598,843	2,598,843	2,598,843
South Dakota	756,838	756,838	756,838
Tennessee	3,558,776	3,558,776	3,558,776
Texas	11,191,914	11,191,914	11,191,914
Utah	1,263,200	1,263,200	1,263,200
Vermont	244,456	244,456	244,456
Virginia	3,549,168	3,549,168	3,549,168
Washington	2,569,851	2,569,851	2,569,851
West Virginia	1,800,131	1,800,131	1,800,131
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any other format. See page 2, figure 3, for *Adobe Acrobat* and *Lotus* worksheet computer screen illustrations.

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